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As we have yet but a very dark Certainty (if I may use the Expression) of the late melancholy Battle in Flanders, *I shall not, at this Time, entertain the Reader with what I design on that Subject. The following Letter will, I dare say, make amends for the plainness of the Diction, by the Importance of the Subject, and the Goodness of its Sense; I shall therefore give it to the Public in the same Dress as it came into my Hands.* J. B.

Pallmal, April *25th*.

To JEFFREY BROADBOTTOM, *Esq*;

SIR,

AS in the conducting of our Naval Affairs there have been many ill-concerted Steps, and as the Trade and Strength of all Islands arise from their Ships, I shall beg Leave to make a few Observations on a most essential Neglect in that Service. I mean the Officering of Fleets, not with Men who are most remarkable for excelling in their Profession, but always according to their Interest, and Friends and Relations at home. This is deserving the Nation in the most important Point, and at the most critical Time. In Time of War the greatest Care should certainly be taken, to fit Men to the Places to which they are appointed; and in the Army or Navy it is of infinite Consequence that we should have Generals or Admirals equal to their Commands. Otherwise it is better to have no War at all, and even to make a Peace on any Terms; as being active and fighting only to our own Destruction, must necessarily end in the Ruin of any Nation.

It has been generally held for a Maxim thro' all Ages, that more than half the Success of any Expedition depends on the Ability of the Commander; and we have been so unfortunate, in almost all our Enterprizes, at Sea, and such flagrant Misconduct has appear'd in the late Engagement in the *Mediterranean*, that I think we should now seriously consider and enquire into the Merits of Men appointed to command Fleets in Chief. It is now become a National Concern, since some Years more of such a War would be the utter Ruin of the Nation; nor are the Distinctions of *Whig* or *Tory*, of the Country or Court Party sufficient Reasons for the Promotion of Officers, but Abilities and Experience alone. We are not to be trifled with for ever; and indeed would Ministers really consider their own Interest, they would place Men of great Abilities in the important Commands at least, whatever was done with Regard to the lesser and more inconsiderable Employments. Nor are Ministers to wait for Recommendations of particular Men, but to know the Characters of all the Officers of Rank and Standing; to have Lists of such by them, and never to disuse an old Officer without the greatest Reason. Nothing is so popular a Consideration as long Services and Seniority, People are naturally, and with great Reason, prepossessed in Favour of Experience; and indeed it has ever been the Way of Proceeding amongst all the great and warlike Nations of the World, especially among the *Greeks* and the *Romans*. Besides, an Emulation and Spirit of excelling is raised in all subaltern Officers; they take the Pains to know the Varieties of Service, and to behave well, when they are sure they will not be injur'd in their Promotion, by Men either of Interest in a Borough; by Brothers or Relations of Members of Parliament; by Members of Parliament themselves; by Noblemen's Sons, or Relations, or Acquaintance; or even by Noblemen themselves. I am persuaded that the preferring Men out of their Turn for some of these Reasons, and the not punishing them afterwards for Misconduct, or Offence of any kind, have been the Means of spreading this general Dispiritedness and Cowardice in our Fleet; this Disregard to all Character and Reputation, which have been the Cause of such national Losses in every Respect. This Mismanagement continued, must inevitably make us be contemned and despised abroad; for Justice in promoting, and Discipline in regulating, our Sea Officers, must be observed; since with them our national Strength and national Glory fall to the Ground, and sink in one common Ruin. When we live to see the Days in which Men are not rewarded for Courage, Experience, Knowledge, Disinterestedness; nor punish'd for Cowardice, Neglect, Ignorance, and Mercenariness; we must expect to see Poverty, Prostitution, and Timidity, the most abject and selfish Qualities, the general Characteristics of our Nation. Virtue must be rewarded, and Vice depress'd; there must be Incentives to noble Actions, and Discouragements to those that are base; triumphal Arches erected for the one, Pillories and Gibbets for the other: or else our Days of Greatness are over. A Corruption in all the Branches of Government; a low Jobbing about Places; Votes and Interest at Elections; and a Necessity for providing for Tools, with an intire Disregard of every Thing but Money, must be the inevitable Ruin of any People; of both a King and his Country.

Who, that has not most Notions of Honour and the Love of his Country uncommonly, would fight in Lines of Battle with a Certainty of Danger; from whence he could expect no Profit, and knew that whatever Bravery or Judgment he might shew in Action, it would not add to his Pretensions for rising in the Service? But every Man knows that by the taking of Merchantmen and getting a Fortune, he has the infallible Means of rising in his own Hands. Have we not then to expect that Officers will leave their Stations or their Convoys, in order to cruize after Merchantmen, and to get Riches sufficient for buying a Borough; especially when there is no Probability of ever being punish'd, even if they are called before a Court-Martial.

Have not the Sea Officers of greatest Experience, and born with Capacities equal to those who are junior, undeniably therefore the most knowing and able Commanders, been frequently laid aside of late? This has been the Case even in this War, with Lieutenants, Captains, and Admirals; who have become at once, and against their Will, an useless Burthen to their Country, and subject to Dishonour in their own Persons. They have been put on Half-pay, and new Officers made in their room with adequate Salaries. Is not this properly multiplying Officers and increasing Expences to our own Disadvantage; paying more to be worse serv'd? We lay by Officers without Reason, nay contrary to it, who therefore, with Justice, think themselves injur'd; and we make others less knowing in their room, and pay them according to the Rank they enjoy, without any Diminution of Pay, or Allowance, for the Persons already dismiss'd on the same Rank.

How little has been done at Sea during this War, is apparent to all Men, how very trifling in Comparison of the Fleets equipp'd, and the Supplies given; which must evidently prove a male Administration and Direction in our Navy. This may, with Reason, be attributed chiefly to the nominating Officers unequal to, and unfit for the Commands to which they have been appointed. Men should never be made Admirals of Fleets, in Chief at least, who had never been Commodores and Commanders of Squadrons, or not for twenty Years perhaps, at Sea; much less who had never commanded large Line of Battle Ships, nor been us'd to the Dicipline of great Fleets. Without consulting the Turn and Genius of Men, their Abilities, their Experience, and Diligence, they should never be made Admirals in Chief, if Admirals at all. For Men of long and faithful Services at Sea, but of low Capacities, or of infirm Bodies, should be made Commissioners of the Navy, or of Yards, according to the original Design; this would be rewarding them properly and consistently with the Good of the Nation: But this Method has been inverted, and we have gone to the lower End of the Lists both for Commissioners and Admirals; and the Nation has been serv'd in Proportion. The Knowledge of all the Branches of Service is to be acquir'd by Experience alone: The laying of Schemes and forming extensive Plans require an excellent Understanding, as well as the answering of every Emergency; and Diligence must at last be added, to compleat the Commander. The Heads, the Hearts, and the Hands of such Men must be warranted Good by Experience, for otherwise the Nation may be ruined in making the Experiment. Did we ever want experienced Officers so much as now, and yet have great Numbers of them been laid aside, and others created in their room, unexperienc'd in Command? Is a general great Character, and not a particular Interest in, and Application to particular Men, the only Road to Preferment? And this too at a Time when the People complain we have no distinguish'd Admiral at Sea, I mean distinguish'd to his Advantage, for the contrary I dare not say? I shall not mention Sir *J—n N—s*, nor even Admiral *V—n*, the Earl of *C—d*, Mr. *L———k*, or Mr. *A—n*; much less shall I mention those employ'd, not even Admiral *D———y*, or the much greater Mr. *M———n*.

But shall Seniority and Services in every Respect be disregarded? Shall our Country be betray'd, their Honour prostituted, the Merchant ruined, the experienc'd Officer, after fifty Years faithful Service, dismiss'd, his Family beggar'd, and all under Quality deterr'd from entering into the Sea Service; who will in their Turn despise it, and with Reason too, when they see it was not their Merit, but their Interest, that got them preferr'd? Are Men who have been studious to do their Duty in

dity Refreſh, in their Commands at Sea, for which they had Abilities, but not in Parliament for which they had none; and where they could do nothing but ſervilely vote: Are ſuch Men, who have enlarg'd their uſeful Knowledge as much as was in their Power, not to be preferr'd; becauſe they fought a Battle, or took a Ship, when they ſhould have been granting a Supply, or voting againſt an Enquiry? I have dwelt thus long on our Management of our Naval Force, as I think that can be of Advantage to us, and make us the Center and Arbiters of all the *European* Trade almoſt; but Armies and Wars on the Continent can be of none, and the Money we have ſpent that Way would have made us, by this Time, capable of being a Ballance for *France* alone.

I am, Sir, your affectionate Couſin and Reader,

ISAAC BROADBOTTOM.

* *Sea Officers employed.*	*Not employed.*
Sir *Chaloner Ogle.*	Sir *John Norris.*
Admiral *Dawers.*	Admiral *Vernon.*
Admiral *Rowley.*	Earl of *Granard.*
Admiral *Martin.*	Admiral *Leſtock.*
Admiral *Medley.*	Commodore *Graves.*
Commodore *Lee.*	Admiral *Auſon.*
Commodore *Ambroſe.*	Commodore *Gaſcoigne.*

* *It appears that when my Correſpondent wrote out this Liſt, he had not ſeen the Liſt of the late Promotions in the Sea Service.*

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Hague, May 15. The Miniſters of his Britanick Majeſty have demanded the Eſcorts neceſſary for the Service of that Auguſt Monarch, who is ſhortly to paſs thro' our Territories, in his way to Hanover. A Yatch, and a Man of War, are arrived in the Meuſe, the one to carry, and the other to eſcort his Excellency the Earl of Cheſterfield, Ambaſſador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from his Britannick Majeſty to their High Mightineſſes, who as happily finiſh'd his Negotiations here.

There arrived here Yeſterday Three Expreſſes from the Army of the Allies; the laſt of which brought the important News of an Action that happened on the 11th, between the Army of the Allies, and that of France; the Particulars of which, ſo far as they are at preſent known, follow. The Allied Army began to march by Two in the Morning, and by Four attack'd the Enemy in their Camp before Tournay; the Action laſted near Ten Hours, and for more than Seven was obſtinate and bloody beyond Deſcription. The Enemy made uſe of a great deal of Art to draw the firſt Line of the Allies within the reach of two mask'd Batteries, upon which they had mounted the greateſt Part of the Artillery that had been employed to batter the Town. It was the warm Fire made from theſe concealed Batteries, that render'd it expedient for the Allies to retreat, which they did about a Quarter after Two, in good Order, under the Cannon of Aeth. We cannot preciſely tell the Loſs on either Side; all that can be ſaid poſitively, is, that his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland had Three Horſes kill'd under him, the Prince of Waldeck Two, Lieutenant-General Baron de Schwatzenberg One. Brigadier Salis was ſhot thro' the Head, Col. Van Ryſſel loſt his Head by a Cannon Shot, Lieutenant-Colonel Boetzlaer, Captain in the Regiment of Foot Guards, was ſhot thro' Neck as he was giving Orders, Brigadier Count d'Efferen is mortally wounded. Their High Mightineſſes are extremely affected with this News, and have given Orders for ſix or ſeven Regiments of Foot to march immediately to reinforce the Army of the Allies. We do not learn that the King of France was in the Engagement, but the Dauphin is ſaid to have charg'd at the Head of the Gendarmerie.

LONDON.

The Mercury Snow of War, Capt. Wellard, who was diſpatched Expreſs from the Leward Iſlands, and has been ſome Time miſſing, is arriv'd at Plymouth, and brings an Account, that ſeven Sail of French Men of War were arrived at Martinico, four of ſeventy and three of fifty Guns, having on board a great Number of Marines.

On Saturday Dogan, the Prieſt, was brought from Newgate to the Court of King's Bench in Weſtminſter-Hall and pleaded his Majeſty's moſt gracious Pardon. He was found guilty in that Court laſt Term for enliſting Men into the King of Spain's Service, and was to have receiv'd Sentence for the ſame on that Day.

The Baron de Klingraff, the Pruſſian Miniſter at the Bavarian Court, having reproached the Elector while at Augſbourgh, with having made a ſeparate Peace, without conſulting his Maſter, his Highneſs anſwer'd: 'Why 'in that, Sir, I only follow'd your Maſter's Example; 'Do you remenber his conſulting the Emperor my 'Father, on the Expediency of concluding the Treaty of 'Breſlau?'

We learn from Breſlau that the King of Pruſſia has abandon'd all the Upper Sileſia, with a View to act wholly on the Defenſive; and that he has declined forming a Camp at Magdebourgh, till he is informed of the Succeſs of the Count de Naugrenant's Negociations at Dreſden, who is going thither with a new Scheme of Pacification; the laſt Hand to which was put by the French King before he left Paris

His Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty ſet out for the Army on the 6th of May, N. S. with the Dauphin, and arrived in the Camp before Tournay on the 8th, in the Evening. The French Army conſiſting then, according to their own Accounts, of 109 Battalions, 120 Squadrons of Horſe, 24 Squadrons of Dragoons, three Regiments of Huſſars, and as many Battalions belonging to the Train; ſo that on the moſt moderate Computation, there were 65,000 Foot, and 25,000 Horſe and Dragoons.

As ſoon as M. Count de Saxe was informed that the Allied Army was aſſembling in the Neighbourhood of Mons, he diſpatched a Courier to Paris to haſten the King's Departure, took upon himſelf the Command of the covering Army, and ordered ſtrong Lines to be thrown up near Leuſe, where he had Time to chooſe his Ground, and to acquire all the Advantages that could be given by a Field of Battle.

The Nancy, late Tracey, from Madeira for London, was taken by the Mars Privateer of Nantz, of 32 Guns, and 330 Men; and was retaken the 19th of April, and ſent into Briſtol, by the Queen of Hungary belonging to that Place.

Laſt Saturday a Grant paſſed the Great Seal unto Charles Cotterel, Eſq; of the Office of Maſter of the Ceremonies to wait on Foreign Miniſters.

His Majeſty's Ship Saphire, Capt. Kepple, Commander, being on a Cruize on the 15th of laſt Month, in Lat. 47, 30, N. 105 Leagues E. N. E. from the Lizzard, took a French Ship bound from Martinico to Rochfort, named l'Attalante, belonging to Nantz, laden with Sugar, Coffee and Cotton, Burthen 180 Tons, mounting eighteen Guns, and had on board forty-one Men, and carried her into Kinſale.

The Prince Charles Privateer has taken a Martinico Ship, call'd the Saphire, and brought her into Briſtol.

The St. Patrick, Capt. Heſter, for London from St. Kit's, in her Paſſage was taken by a Privateer belonging to Bayonne of great Force, and in carrying her into Port, met with bad Weather and was loſt.

The Dreadnought Privateer of St. Kitt's, Capt. Love, Commander, has taken a French Guineyman, with 269 Slaves on board, ſome Teeth, Duſt, and dry Goods, and carried her into Jamaica.

The Victory, Jefferman, from London and Falmouth for Montſerrat, together with another Veſſel, are taken by the French and carried into Cape Francoiſe.

His Excellency the Earl of Cheſterfield has concluded a new Treaty with the States General, by which they ſtipulate to maintain 60,000 Men for the Service of the common Cauſe, 50,000 in the Field, and 10,000 in Gariſon.

We learn from Liſle, by the Way of Ghent, that the Siege of Tournay is carried on with all imaginable Vigour; that in the Night, between the 5th and 6th, they open'd the ſecond Pararell, within a 120 Toiſes of the Body of the Place, and had eſtabliſhed between the two Parallels a Battery of Cannon and Mortars.

Baron the Dort, who is Governor of that Fortreſs, is an Officer of great Experience, eſteemed one of the beſt Engineers in the Dutch Service, and whoſe Character, for Intrepidity, is well eſtabliſhed. His Garriſon conſiſts of 8500 Men; there are 200 Braſs Cannon on the Ramparts; he has Ammunition in abundance; his Magazines are well provided with dry Food; and it is ſaid the Gariſon will be able to ſupply the Want of freſh Proviſions; of which however, they are not in immediate Need of by feeding on their Horſes.

The Army of the Count de Segur on the Neckar, conſiſts of 32 Battalions, and 50 Squadrons; and the French have order'd all the Troops that are left in Alſace and Lorrain, to reinforce it.

The King of Pruſſia having demanded of the Moſt Chriſtian King that a powerful Diverſion ſhould be made in Germany, it has been reſolved to march 10,000 Men more into that Country, to enable the Prince of Conti to execute the Orders that have been ſent him; even ſuppoſing the Landgrave of Heſſe, and the Elector Palatine, ſhould declare themſelves Neuters.

Tueſday the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor nominated John Pickering, Eſq; to be one of the Sheriffs for the Year enſuing. This is the Fourth Gentleman his Lordſhip has nam'd.

Tueſday Morning, about Two o'Clock, a Fire broke out at Mr. Smith's a Chandler's Shop at Bethnal Green, which conſum'd the Houſe; and his Wife and Three Children, with a Maid Servant and Nurſe-Child, periſh'd in the Flames; himſelf being likewiſe burnt in a miſerable Manner.

The ſame Day died, in the 83 Year of his Age, at his Houſe at Stepney, Capt. Stanby; who in the Reign of Queen Anne was Commander of the Britannia Man of War.

Orders are iſſued for the Regiments of the Colonels Price and Handaſyde, and the Royal Iriſh Regiment of Foot, to embark forthwith for Flanders.

The King has been pleaſed to grant unto Sir John Campbell, Knight of the Bath, commonly called Lord Glenorchy, the Office of Maſter or Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Jewels.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint the Right Hon. John Lord Monſon, Martin Bladen, Edward Aſhe, the Hon. James Brudenell, Richard Plummer, Robert Herbert, and John Pitt, Eſqrs; together with Baptiſt Leveſon Gower, Eſq; to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for Trade and Plantations.

We hear that Admiral Vernon will ſoon have the Command of a conſiderable Squadron.

They write from Marſeilles, the 3d inſtant, N. S. that the Convoy from Turky was arriv'd there, and that they took in their Way an Engliſh Ship of twenty-ſix Guns and ſixty Men, from Leghorn for Galipoly; ſhe attacked the Merchant-Ships in the Rear, but was ſurrounded and taken.

The Charlton, from Philadelphia for New-Carolina, is loſt in her Paſſage near Corotuak Inlet, and moſt of her Crew, with her Cargo, are loſt.

The Adventure, of Plymouth, is taken and carried into St. Malo's.

The Dolphin, Maſters, from Briſtol for London, is taken and carried into Diepe.

They write from Prague, that the Magiſtrates of the three Cities of which this Capital is compos'd, have receiv'd an Order from Vienna to make the ſtricteſt Computation poſſible of the Money, Proviſions, Firing, and other Neceſſaries furniſh'd to the Pruſſians during their Stay; as alſo an exact Account of the Damages done by them of all Kinds; from whence we apprehend ſome Treaty is on Foot.

Neptune at Sea off Cartagena, April 2.

We have run ſix of the Enemy's Veſſels aſhore, and have taken and brought away three Privateer Xebecks, a Barcolongo, and an Engliſh Merchantman called the Zant Packet, belonging to Briſtol, which had been taken three or four Days before by the above Xebecks. Capt. Strange, during his Cruize on the Coaſt of Spain, took two French Merchantmen, one a Ship of ten Guns, the other a Polace, both laden with Goods from Marſeilles, bound to St. Domingo. Theſe Veſſels run aſhore at a Place called Sieges, where the People belonging to them landed and eſcaped: Our Ships had two Men killed and three wounded in getting them off.

We hear the following Officers were kill'd in the late Action; viz. Major-General Ponſonby, Brother to the Earl of Beſborough, and Colonel of a Regiment of Foot; Col. Frazier, an old Officer aged upwards of 70; Colonel Douglaſs, Brother to the Earl of Morton, and Member of Parliament for the Shire of Orkney, who conducted Marſhal Beleiſle and his Retinue over to England; Col. Carpenter, a Gentleman who has left a Wife and Seven Children; Col. Gee, Lieutenant-Colonel of Bligh's Regiment; Sir Robert Monro; Sir James Sharp; Colonels Molliniere and Kellet; Majors Lort and Croſsley; Captains Roſs, Whitmore, Wade, Buckland, Brereton, Hildersley, Halden, Berkley, and Hulſe, a younger Son of Sir Edward Hulſe, Bart. and that Sir James Campbell, Knight of the Bath, Lieutenant-General, Colonel of the Scoth Greys, and Governor of Edinburgh Caſtle, who had his Leg ſhot off by a Cannon Ball, died as he was putting into a Litter to be carried off: He was about 68 Years of Age, and is memorable for his gallant Behaviour in the Battle of Malplaquet, in Queen Anne's Wars; and that Lord Charles Hay, Brother to the Marquis of Tweedale, died ſoon after the Battle, of his Wounds; that the Earl of Albemarle, and Lord Bury, his Son, were wounded; as were the Earl of Crawford, the Earl of Ancram, Lord Cathcart, the two laſt Aids de Camps to the Duke; Lord George Sackville, youngeſt Son to the Duke of Dorſet; Lord Peterſham, only Son to the Earl of Harrington; Lord Charles Manners, Half Brother to the Duke of Rutland; the Colonels Duroure, Moſtyn, and Beach; the Majors Montague and Raynford; the Captains Vanbrugh and Maggeſtroff; Col. Beach's Son, &c. And Lord Robert Bertie, Brother to the Duke of Ancaſter, was, among others, taken Priſoner. There is one Capt. Campbell kill'd, and a Capt. Campbell wounded; and it's feared the firſt is Sir James's only Son, who was an Officer in the Scotch Greys. The Regiment of Horſe Blue, and the Highlanders, behaved ſo exceeding brave, that his Royal Highneſs the Duke extoll'd their gallant Behaviour at the Head of the Army.

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